

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A program storage device accessible by a computer, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by said computer to perform method steps for data capture and management, said methods steps comprising:
 - (a) providing a plurality of tabular forms, wherein each of said tabular forms contains data in a plurality of cells;
 - (b) providing a first means of activating a cell of interest of said plurality of cells in a tabular form of interest of said plurality of tabular forms to display a data sheet with corresponding data from a corresponding tabular form of said plurality of tabular forms; and
 - (c) providing a second means of activating said cell of interest of said plurality of cells in said tabular form of interest of said plurality of tabular forms to display said corresponding tabular form.
2. The device as set forth in claim 1, wherein said method steps further comprise the step of providing in said cell a plurality of descriptors.
3. The device as set forth in claim 2, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of signs.
4. The device as set forth in claim 2, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of colors.

5. The device as set forth in claim 2, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of tags.
6. The device as set forth in claim 2, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of statistical parameters.
7. The device as set forth in claim 1, wherein said method steps further comprise the step of providing a manager with a plurality of tools to manage at least one data capture and management operation.
8. The device of claim 7, wherein said method steps further comprise the step of providing means to display information of said at least one data capture and management operation.
9. The device as set forth in claim 1, wherein said method steps further comprise the step of providing means to manipulate said data in said plurality of cells.
10. The device as set forth in claim 9, wherein said step of providing means to manipulate said data comprises means to copy, cut, paste, edit, undo, drag, or delete.
11. The device as set forth in claim 1, wherein said method steps further comprise the step of providing means to manipulate said corresponding data in said data sheet.

12. The device as set forth in claim 11, wherein said step of providing means to manipulate said data comprises means to copy, cut, paste, edit, undo, drag, or delete.

13. The device as set forth in claim 11, wherein said step of providing means to manipulate said data comprises means to use radio buttons, sliders, data menus, or click boxes.

14. The device as set forth in claim 1, wherein said method steps further comprise the step of providing one or more additional means of activating said cell of interest.

15. The device as set forth in claim 1, wherein said method steps further comprise means to calculate said data.

16. A method of using a database for clinical trial data capture and management, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a plurality of tabular forms wherein each of said tabular forms contains data in a plurality of cells;

(b) providing a first means of activating a cell of interest of said plurality of cells in a tabular form of interest of said plurality of tabular forms to display a data sheet with corresponding data from a corresponding tabular form of said plurality of tabular forms; and

(c) providing a second means of activating said cell of said plurality of cells in said tabular form of said plurality of tabular forms to display said corresponding tabular form.

17. The method as set forth in claim 16, further comprising the step of providing in said cell a plurality of descriptors.

18. The method as set forth in claim 17, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of signs.

19. The method as set forth in claim 17, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of colors.

20. The method as set forth in claim 17, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of tags.

21. The method as set forth in claim 17, wherein said plurality of descriptors comprises a plurality of statistical parameters.

22. The methods as set forth in claim 16, further comprising the step of providing a manager with a plurality of tools to manage at least one data capture and management operation.

23. The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of providing means to display information of said at least one data capture and management operation.

24. The method as set forth in claim 16, further comprising the step of providing means to manipulate said data in said plurality of cells.

25. The method as set forth in claim 24, wherein said step of providing means to manipulate said data comprises means to copy, cut, paste, edit, undo, drag, or delete.

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26. The method as set forth in claim 16, further comprising the step of providing means to manipulate said corresponding data in said data sheet.

27. The method as set forth in claim 26, wherein said step of providing means to manipulate said data comprises means to copy, cut, paste, edit, undo, drag, or delete.

28. The device as set forth in claim 26, wherein said step of providing means to manipulate said data comprises means to use radio buttons, sliders, data menus, or click boxes.

29. The device as set forth in claim 16, further comprising the step of providing means to calculate said data.

30. The device as set forth in claim 16, further comprising the step of providing one or more additional means of activating said cell of interest.